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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of September 7, 2006, a timely Notice of Appeal was filed on December 6, 2006. This submission should be considered a withdrawal of the appeal and a request for continued examination. Please consider the following remarks and reconsider the application.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.